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EDITORIAL

THE DEBT ADJUSTMENT ACT

In a letter which is published elsewhere in this issue, a member urges the extension of the provisions of the Debt Adjustment Act to the whole of the Province. He states that in a district where the Act does not at present apply, keen competition between farmers' creditors in the fall, prompted by the fear of each creditor that if he does not take action to safeguard himself, he may be left "holding the sack" by others, has had undesirable consequences both from the farmers' standpoint and from that of many creditors. He points out that under the terms of the Debt Adjustment Act, a farmer's creditors do not feel the same urgency, because each creditor knows that he will stand an equal chance with others.

Undoubtedly this question is being widely discussed in various parts of the Province which are not in the jurisdiction of the Debt Adjustment Bureau. The Act has been well administered, and on the whole has given satisfaction to debtors and creditors alike. It has enabled many farmers who would otherwise have been ruined, to stay on the land, while the fairness of the Act is generally recognized by creditors.

This season, both in districts in which the provisions of the Debt Adjustment Act apply, and in others where there have been many individual cases of hardship, but in which the Bureau has no authority, farmers, after a period of great difficulty, are beginning to see daylight ahead. Given reasonable opportunity, they are hoping to liquidate their indebtedness. It would appear to be in the interest, not only of the debtors and creditors, but of the Province as a whole, that creditors should feel that there is no necessity to compete one with another in the collection of debts.

The question which Mr. McComb raises is worthy of very thorough consideration, in the most sober spirit, with the best interests of our Province as a whole, and the stabilization of the industry of agriculture as the objects in view.

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U.F.A. LOCAL ACTIVITIES

Meeting under unusually difficult circumstances owing to the early winter and the condition of the roads in districts where there has been a heavy snowfall, Locals throughout the Province are resuming their activities in preparation for the Annual Convention. We invite all Locals to send in brief reports of their meetings for publication in *The U.F.A.* As far as space permits we aim to mirror in our organization pages the life of the Locals in all parts of the Province. In the issues following the opening of the Alberta Legislature, when space is required for the extensive reports of proceedings which are given in response to the desire of the Convention, the pages devoted to organization matters are necessarily curtailed; but no matter how limited the space available, we shall aim to continue the recording of Local activities. Local secretaries and secretaries of district and constituency associations, are requested to send in with the least possible delay, reports of their meetings.

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In 1925, the Ottawa Government opposed the amendment of the Canada Grain Act sought by the Farmers to give the shipper of grain the right to decide to what terminal elevator his grain should be delivered. The Government then had a clear majority. In 1926, they lacked a majority and accepted the amendment. Acceptance of legislation from the Farmer members was described by the Prime Minister as "co-operation"; by Mr. Dunning as being "bludgeoned." We should prefer to use the Prime Minister's politer term. But whatever the term used, the result was highly satisfactory to the primary producers, was simple justice, and will be approved by all fair-minded citizens of Canada. The views of the *Vancouver Province*, a Liberal paper, on this matter, are given on page 26.

NEWS OF THE ORGANIZATION

Activities of Locals and District Associations and Information from Central Office—Notes on Co-operation

Program of the Twentieth Annual Convention of the U.F.A.

The program of the Annual Convention (subject to change) is given below. A. H. Tovell, Manager of the Hail Insurance Board, will speak during the Convention, but the time is not yet determined. An effort is also being made to arrange for J. D. Fraser, Chief Grain Inspector, to be present to speak on grain grading questions.

Tuesday Morning, January 17th

10:00 a.m. sharp. Official opening of the Convention. "O Canada" sung by the Convention. Invocation: Rev. H. W. Avison. Opening Address: His Honor Lieut-Governor W. Egbert. Address of Welcome: His Worship, Mayor Osborne. Election of Chairman of the Convention. Appointment of the Committees: Credentials, Resolutions, Order of Business. Annual Address of the President. Annual Address of the President U.F.W.A. Annual Address Junior President. Report of Board of Directors.

Tuesday Afternoon

Ten minutes' organ recital.

2:00 p.m. Financial Statement. Constitutional Amendments. Resolutions.

Tuesday Evening

8:00 p.m. Five minutes' address—Rev. H. W. Avison. Address: Hon. J. E. Brownlee, Premier of Alberta. Resolutions.

Wednesday Morning, January 18th

"Organize" sung by the Convention.

9:30 a.m. Resolutions.

12:00 noon. Nominations for President 1928.

Wednesday Afternoon

Ten minutes' organ recital.

2 p.m. Joint session U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. Ballot for the President, 1928. Nominations for Vice-President. Report C.C.A.

4 p.m. Ballot for Vice-President, 1928.

Wednesday Evening

Five minutes' address by Rev. H.W. Avison.

8 p.m. Ten minutes' addresses by fraternal delegates.

Resolutions.

Thursday Morning, January 19th

"O Canada" sung by the Convention.

9:30 a.m.—Resolutions.

Thursday Afternoon

Ten minutes' organ recital.

2 p.m. Joint session U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. Report on *The U.F.A.* Report of Convenor, Senior Committee on Young People's Work. Report of Junior Secretary.

3:30 p.m. Election of U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. Directors.

Thursday Evening

Five minutes' address by the Rev. H. W. Avison.

Resolutions.

Friday Morning, January 20th

"Organize" sung by the Convention.

9:30 a.m. Resolutions.

Friday Afternoon.

Ten minutes' organ recital.

2:00 p.m. Resolutions.

Friday Evening

8 p.m. Unfinished and New Business.

"God Save the King."

Reduced Railway Fares to Annual Convention

Delegates and visitors to the Convention are again reminded of the reduced railway fares which can be obtained at the time of our Annual Convention. Sometimes advantage is not taken of these reduced rates. All delegates and any others coming to Calgary at that time might as well benefit by the special fares. Under the reduced rates tickets can be purchased any day from Friday, January 13th, to Thursday, January 19th, and will be good for return journey up to the night of Tuesday, January 24th. Full particulars as to how the reduced rates can be secured were given on page 4 of *The U.F.A.* of December 1st.

The Call to the Convention, credential cards, resolutions and the financial statement have been mailed to all Locals, and it is hoped each Local will send a full delegation. Visitors will also be welcome.

The Convention will open at 10 a.m. promptly on Tuesday, January 17th.

Brownlee Addresses Ponoka Convention

Premier is Opposed to "Open Door" Policy in Immigration

De Forest Nelson, president of Ponoka Provincial Constituency Association of the U.F.A., Mrs. John Krefting, vice-president, and Mrs. Howard Russell, secretary, were all re-elected by acclamation at the convention held in Ponoka on November 26th.

C. C. Reed, member of the U.F.A. Central Board, was elected chairman, and in his opening address emphasized the need in our present-day communities of a co-operative conscience. Each member of the U.F.A., said Mr. Reed, should feel that he was "in for life."

Premier's Address

At the conclusion of the regular business, including the receiving of the annual financial report, the meeting was addressed by Premier Brownlee. Mr. Brownlee began by describing the investigations he had carried on, while abroad, as to the status of the Wheat Pool organization as a selling agency. He had been impressed, he said, by the fact that there had been as great a change in the buying and distributing methods as in the co-operative selling movement; the millers were organized, and the bulk of the grain buying was done by three or four large corporations. Mr. Brownlee also dealt with Canada's opportunity to enter the British market with bacon and dairy produce, stating that more attention to standardization was essential.

In regard to immigration, Mr. Brownlee said he was opposed to the "open door" feeling that the power of absorption was the vital thing. He dealt briefly with some of the services the Provincial Government is carrying on, including the clinics and research work.

The large audience of delegates and visitors expressed great appreciation of Mr. Brownlee's address.

Railway Rates

The following resolution was passed by the convention, and will be brought before the Provincial Annual Convention:

Whereas, the present high costs of transportation bear more heavily on the farmer than on any other class, in that the farmer pays the carrying charges on the raw material he ships to market as well as on the finished product he buys from the manufacturer, and,

Whereas in this respect the farmer differs from the merchant in that the farmer is unable to charge the freight to his customer; and,

Whereas the merchant not only passes the carrying charges along to his customer, but calculates his margin of profit not only on the original cost of the goods, but the carrying charges as well, and,

Whereas the railways, whether privately owned or nationally owned are nevertheless public utilities, and,

Whereas the railways at present, while losing heavily on their hotel systems and on their passenger carrying business are turning deficits into surpluses through the excessive freight rates charged the chief primary producer of tonnage, that is, the farmer, and,

Whereas, the cost of transportation is one upon which the stability of the whole nation depends,

Therefore, be it resolved, that this matter be brought to the attention of the Railway Commissioners for further investigation, and if the statements herein made are found to be true, then, in that case, the necessary adjustment be ordered to be made by the railway management to make these utilities fully self-sustaining.

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INDIVIDUALISM THWARTS GENIUS

"The individualistic society of the past, so often credited with creating conditions favoring the 'survival of the fittest', in the intellectual as in the physical life, is seen rather to have fixed conditions which theoretically are almost the least favorable to a maximum (numerical) development of potential mental faculty. It has set up circumstances under which from a small minority only of the total population at any given moment could its best intellectual workers be drawn; and its methods have tended, in a degree that seems to be progressive in each civilization after a certain stage, to keep latent even a large part of the capacity of this small minority. . . . . As time goes on, the class with inherited incomes appears to be yielding proportionally less and less intellectual service to society. This seems to hold good in England and the United States, since in both cases, especially the latter, the idle class has increased in numbers during the past fifty years, while its intellectual output has decreased, at least as regards the higher grades."—Right Hon. J. M. Robertson, famous English man of letters.

Good Attendance at Pembina Convention

Westlock, November 30.—The annual convention of the Pembina Constituency Association was held here today. Considering the severity of the weather, there was a good attendance of delegates and visitors, showing that the spirit of the U.F.A. is still as strong as ever in this district. The day was taken up with addresses, discussion of resolutions and election of officers.

Those who addressed to convention were H. Critchlow, the president, Geo. MacLachlan, member for Pembina, and Hon. J. F. Lymburn, Attorney General. Mr. Lymburn gave a splendid address which was greatly appreciated by the audience, who were impressed with his earnestness and simplicity of manner. A number of resolutions were passed to be forwarded to the Central Office of the U.F.A.

The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, H. Critchlow; Vice-President, Mrs. J. Rabb; Directors, J. K. Birnie, J. Messmer, W. S. Thompson, Thos. Cailes, W. E. Curtis, Mrs. A. R. Brown, and C. Antonson. It was decided to hold the next midsummer convention at Barrhead.

A. R. BROWN,
Westlock, Alta. Secretary.

Resolutions for the Annual Convention

Re-consideration of Resolutions

Resolved, that when a resolution has been finally dealt with by the Convention, it shall not again be considered without due notice of re-consideration being given and not during the same session.—Pembina Provincial C. A.

Qualification of Elevator Agents

Resolved, that all persons applying for a position as grain buyer be required to pass an examination on grading of grain before being qualified to hold a position as agent in an elevator.—Pembina Provincial C. A.

Moisture Content

Whereas, the present system of grading wheat for moisture content is very unfair as wheat with 14.5 moisture is subject to the same dockage as wheat with 16.9 per cent moisture;

Be it resolved, that tough grain be graded tough A and tough B, Tough A to have 14.4 to 15.5 per cent moisture content and tough B from 15.5 to 17 per cent and spread in price to be in proportion.—Pembina Provincial C. A.

Oil and Mineral Rights

"Whereas, under the present regulations, all benefit from oil and mineral rights goes to the Federal Government;

"Therefore be it resolved that the U.F.A., in conjunction with the Provincial Government, ask the Federal Government to change the law so that the land owner should participate to the extent at least of a reasonable royalty."

EAST EDMONTON AND STURGEON CONVENTIONS

A convention of the East Edmonton U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. Constituency Association, and the Sturgeon U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. Provincial Association will be held in the Civic Block, Edmonton, Tuesday, December 20th, at 1 p.m. —for the East Edmonton Association—and at 3 p.m. that of the Sturgeon Association. In the evening a joint meeting will be held which will be addressed by a Cabinet Minister and others.

The following resolutions were passed at a joint meeting of the U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. Alix Locals, December 3rd, 1927, and submitted to the U.F.A. Board with a view to their being brought before the U.F.A. Annual Convention:

Land Values

Whereas, the present system of appraisal of land values is both unscientific and unsatisfactory and tends to work a great injustice on the land owner in case of a dispute with a mortgage company holding the title inasmuch as the matter is left to the arbitrary judgment of an individual appointed by the court who may have no knowledge whatever of the productive value of the land, or of the prevailing land values in the vicinity.

Therefore, be it resolved, that some scientific and just system of land valuation be brought into effect, below which it shall not be possible to sell the land in the case of foreclosure proceedings.

Debt Adjustment Act

Whereas, it seems apparent that the loan companies and the banks are becoming increasingly severe as the result of better crops and crop values, and

Whereas, producers all over the Province who would otherwise be in a fair way to recover from the slump brought on by the post-war deflation are being victimized and pauperized by foreclosures and seizures,

Therefore, be it resolved that the whole Province be brought under the Debt Adjustment Act until such time as an adequate and humane system of credit can be brought into effect.

The following are for submission to the Board, with a view to presentation at the Convention:

Teaching of Co-operative Marketing

Be it resolved, that a system of co-operative marketing and co-operation be included in the school curriculum of the Province of Alberta.—Executive, Camrose Federal U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. Assn.

THOSE WHO INCREASE OUR STOCK OF KNOWLEDGE

"There is a class of people who are interested in the truth so far as they can possibly follow it. They want the whole truth, which is to say the real truth. Relatively speaking, of course, what they want is to have the widest and clearest possible view of life. Mere one-sidedness, mere expediency, mere sophistry does not satisfy them. They are the ones who are continually increasing man's stock of truth."—*E. Haldeman Julius.*

Telephone Statements

Whereas, we believe that an expression of opinion from this Convention on matters affecting the farmers' welfare is always welcomed by our Provincial Government;

Therefore, be it resolved, that this Convention is of the opinion that a change should be made in the present form of telephone statements for long distance calls, so that the name of person calling and the name or the number of person called, be shown.—Loyalty Local, 765.

Qualifications of Teachers

Whereas, the system of putting the new teachers just out of normal school to teach the country schools is in most cases a failure and a complete loss of money for the ratepayers;

Be it hereby resolved, that all new school teachers must at least teach one term under a principal before considered able to teach a country school.—Clear Water Lake Local, 944.

Freight Rate to U.S.A. Points

Whereas, the increased freight rate on car lots to points in U.S.A. has not only affected the United States buyer but has gone a long way in discouraging the hog producers of the Province;

Therefore, be it resolved, that we, the producers, co-operate with the Executive in their efforts to have the old rate applied.—Fenhold Local, 13.

Boosting of Crops

Whereas, the boosting of the crops, particularly of the wheat crop for advertising and speculative purposes continues from year to year from the beginning of the season almost before the wheat puts its nose out of the ground until such time when the Government and Press estimates, often exaggerated too, make their appearance later on in the season, and

Whereas, such exaggerated estimates most of the time, when deliveries to the elevators are heaviest are bound to depress the price of the wheat, thereby causing the farmers of the west every year losses amounting to millions of dollars, and

Whereas, these heavy losses caused by temporary depressions of prices until the real facts concerning the yield of grain are unmistakably revealed and subsequent estimates gradually reduced, must of necessity be borne by non-pool members as well as Pool members;

Therefore, notwithstanding the fact that it is difficult to remedy this evil, be it resolved, that competent provincial and federal authorities as well as the press and last but not least the Wheat Pool with its splendidly organized information bureau, be petitioned to do their utmost to counteract or suppress wrong estimates in order to avoid such heavy losses to the grain grower of the Canadian West.—Fenhold Local, 13.

News from the Locals

MAGLOIRE'S ACTIVE YEAR

In addition to paying dues to the Federal Constituency Association and sending a delegate to the Provincial Annual Convention Magloire U.F.A. Local financed out of the general funds a free social to members and friends. As entertainment held earlier in the year added about $40 to the treasury, and this fund was augmented by the donation of Wheat Pool canvasser's commission by the secretary, F. X. Gour. The co-operative purchase of binder twine, states Mr. Gour, "has served to strengthen the resolve to go further afield and buy periodically general merchandise."

GREEN GROVE ORGANIZED

Sam Webb was organizer of Green Grove U.F.A. Local, near Ohaton, and was elected its first president. Mrs. F. Giles is the secretary.

STANMORE REORGANIZED

"Stanmore U.F.A. Local has reorganized for next year with prospects of a good membership and good meetings," writes Paul Mayer, secretary. "Mrs. Mary Thorburn is our new president."

TO RESUME MEETINGS

Collingwood U.F.A. Local, states the secretary, H. J. Poole, are arranging to resume their regular meetings very shortly. Great pressure of work has been responsible for the fact that no meeting of the Local was held since one in the early fall to welcome new settlers in the district.

CROSSROADS LOCAL

The Crossroads U.F.A. held an enjoyable social evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Edgar on Friday evening. The annual meeting of this Local will take place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Milne, on Friday evening, December 9.—*Red Deer Advocate.*

EAGLE HILL ACTIVITIES

Eagle Hill U.F.A. Local commenced activities for the winter season on November 25th, when a shadow social and dance was held, writes Mrs. O. Arneson, secretary. The event proved very successful both socially and financially.

FROM MAYWOOD LOCAL

"Good interest was shown in the various questions that came before our annual meeting," writes E. J. Irwin, secretary of Maywood Local. "Our members are scattered over a wide territory, and some are in the lumber camps at present. However, we hope to have a more active year than last."

NEW DRIVE FOR MEMBERS

"We are putting on a new drive for members," writes R. Goddard, secretary of Gibbons U.F.A. Local, "and hope to have a pretty full blooded Local this year. Crops are good and conditions splendid. I understand from the elevator agents that practically **[illegible] per cent of the wheat this year is Pool wheat, as against [illegible] per cent last year.**"

HEAR REPORT ON POOL MEETING

The annual meeting of High River U.F.A. Local was held on December 2nd, with a good attendance. After the business had been disposed of, G. D. Sloane of Cayley gave an address dealing with the annual Wheat Pool meeting. Mr. Sloane had been particularly pleased, he said, with the democratic spirit that had prevailed throughout the proceedings. The delegates had shown a keen interest in Pool affairs, and had asked a great many questions which the heads of the various departments had answered satisfactorily.

EAST CALGARY CONVENTION JANUARY 16th

East Calgary U.F.A. Federal Constituency Convention will be held in the Board of Trade Rooms, Calgary, on Monday afternoon, January 16th, commencing at 2 o'clock, according to notices to all Local U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. secretaries sent out by Mrs. L. Louise Scholefield, Secretary of the Constituency Association. Financial reports will be presented and officers will be elected, and the Convention will consider resolutions for the Annual Convention. President Wood and H. B. Adshead, M.P., will address the Convention. All Locals are requested to send full delegations. Dues are 25 cents per member. Representation will be on the basis of one delegate for every ten paid-up members, or major fraction thereof.

DIAMOND VALLEY PROGRESS

The first meeting for the winter of the Diamond Valley U.F.A. Local was held at Mr. A. Erickson's residence on November 12. Considering how busy everybody was hauling their crops to market, there was a very fair turnout. Most of the time was taken up discussing the unaccounted delay in getting the Erkville-New Hill rural mail route established. The people are getting quite warm over it, and seem determined to persevere till they get one.

It is gratifying to see old-timers coming into the Local. For the coming year it is planned to make the meetings a social affair, besides carrying on the usual business of a union, and as a start in that direction the next meeting will be followed by a whist drive.—*Red Deer Advocate.*

HILLSIDE BRINGS HOME BACON

A very pleasant and enjoyable evening was held in the Lone Ridge hall on Wednesday, November 23rd, when one of the strongest debating teams in the Hillside Local in the spirit of friendly rivalry contested a picked team from Lone Ridge and on a close decision brought home the bacon to the Hillside Local.

The debate was closely contested and both teams handled the subject matter and the delivery in a manner that would reflect to the credit of any Local.

The Hillside team was composed of Mrs. T. Howes, E. R. Hoskins and T. Howes, while Mrs. A. C. Sproule, R. Stevens and G. Rimmer represented Lone Ridge.

Hillside defended the negative side of the question, "Resolved that heredity is a greater influence on character than environment."

The judges were Mrs. L. Marr, R. R. Sparks, M.L.A., and A. P. Moan. A very enjoyable program was delivered before the debate commenced by Mrs. Wallis, Mrs. Allen and others. After the debate coffee and sandwiches were served by the U.F.W.A.—*Wetaskiwin Times.*

SAMPLES MUST NOT BE SEALED

Pool members who send grain samples to the Alberta Wheat Pool for grading or test of moisture content are requested to note that the cost of mailing is 1c per two ounces, but the postal regulations provide that the parcel must not be sealed. In a number of instances samples have been sent in with gum or sealing wax used to secure the paper covering. This calls for a higher rate of extra postage which the Pool has had to pay. All that is required is a string tied around the wrapped parcel.

Future Bound Up With Success of U.F.A.

Vice-President, in Radio Message, Invites Pool Members to Join Primary Organization

Speaking on the CFAC, on Friday, December 9th, H. E. G. H. Scholefield, Vice-President of the U.F.A., broadcast an invitation to all the farm people of the Province to join with their fellow farmers in the U.F.A. in the constant and progressive effort to raise the standard of their industry and to build up in this Province a great co-operative community. Mr. Scholefield's radio address was arranged by courtesy of the Alberta Wheat Pool.

At the outset Mr. Scholefield referred to the remarkable achievement of the great wheat marketing agency owned and controlled by the farmers, which is transforming from a competitive to a co-operative basis the marketing of the wheat crop of Western Canada. That achievement, he said, had roused more widespread public interest than any other development in the recent economic history of the Dominion.

Canada's Biggest Business

"Farmers," he said, "have shown that they are as capable as any other class of running a business enterprise successfully. Today, four years after the formation of the Alberta Wheat Pool, the farmers of the Prairie Provinces own and control the largest business in Canada. The turnover of the Canadian Wheat Pools for last marketing season totalled 309 million dollars, greatly surpassing the second largest business enterprise of the Dominion, the Canadian National Railways, whose total gross earnings for the last year were 262 million dollars. The success of the Wheat Pool, which owes its birth to Alberta farmers, is the greatest triumph of farmer organization in the world's history.

"At a time when the achievements of the Pool are arousing world-wide interest, it is perhaps fitting to inquire into the reasons underlying the success of the farmers in organizing this vast enterprise.

"Just as Alberta farmers gave a lead to the Dominion by the creation of the Pool, so the farmers' primary organization, the U.F.A., was the inspiration and effective means by which the organization of the Pool was made possible. The education and organization carried on by the Alberta farmers themselves, in their many hundreds of Locals scattered throughout the Province, were essential steps towards the formation of the Pool. The United Farmers of Alberta were the first body of organized farmers in Canada to put forward the demand for the Pool to be brought into being. It was through the machinery which they provided that the organization of the Pool was mainly carried out. Years of careful preparation and constant agitation were necessary to prepare the way for the new idea of substituting co-operatism for competition in the marketing of wheat, to be put in practice by the farmers.

Why Some U.S. Efforts Failed

"It may be of interest to the farmers of this Province to learn the views upon farmer organization expressed by one of the leaders in the Wheat Pool movement in the United States who visited Alberta some little time ago. This United States leader was surprised to find in existence a strong educational body such as the U.F.A., and declared that it had been through the lack of such a body that some of the attempts of American farmers to carry on co-operative marketing enterprises had failed. Voting for the formation of Wheat Pools in a moment of passing enthusiasm, when that enthusiasm died down, they had no permanent organization to unify the farm community and maintain their interest in the underlying principles of co-operation. No co-operative marketing movement could be permanent, said this visitor, which was not based on an active body of farmers who were prepared to do things for themselves—not to wait for a few supermen to do everything for them.

"*The future of the Wheat Pool, and of every other economic enterprise launched by the farmers, is absolutely bound up with the permanence of the U.F.A.*

"But while the success of the farmers' economic enterprises is absolutely bound up with the maintenance in full vigor of the farmers' primary organization, economic success is merely a means to an end—the steady and progressive increase of the sum total of well-being among the farm people of Alberta, by the action of the farmers themselves.

No Task Too Great

"The farmers have proved by their successful operation of the Wheat Pool that there is no task in the elevation of their industry and in the elevation of their position as citizens which, given unity and efficiency in organization, they cannot accomplish.

"The United Farmers of Alberta are concerned in the improvement of rural life in its every aspect.

"In their effort to attain the objectives they have set before them, the United Farmers of Alberta invite the co-operation of all the farmers of the Province, and especially of those who have already associated themselves with the farmers' co-operative marketing movements. If there is a Local of the U.F.A., of the United Farm Women or a Junior U.F.A. Local in your district, we invite you to join it. As a member of the Association you will have equal rights with every other member, in directing the policy of the association and in increasing its usefulness. We invite you to better your own condition through co-operation with your neighbors. We invite you, by becoming a member of a Local of the association, to take part in the selection of delegates to the forthcoming Annual Convention of the U.F.A., which will be held in the Central United Church, Calgary, in January."

ALBERTA POULTRY BULLETIN

Poultry raisers will be interested to know that the Alberta Poultry Bulletin is now being issued quarterly under the direction of the Provincial Department of Agriculture. J. H. Hare, Poultry Commissioner, is editor. Any resident of Alberta may have his name placed upon the list to receive copies of the bulletin, on application to Mr. Hare.

BOW RIVER CONVENTION IN CALGARY, JANUARY 16th

Bow River U.F.A. Federal Constituency Convention will be held in the Hood and Irvine Hall, 113 Eighth Ave. W., on Monday, January 16th, commencing at 10 a.m. Representation will be on the basis of one delegate for every ten paid up members or major fraction thereof. Dues for the present year are 50 cents per member. The financial report of the last election will be received, and much other important business will be brought before the Convention, states H. W. Leonard, secretary. E. J. Garland, M.P., will report on the last session at Ottawa.

Nothing to Compare With U.F.A. in East

Garland Gives Impressions on Return From Canadian Club Lecture Tour

"I am more than ever convinced that the progress which has been made by the farmers of Western Canada in educational and economic organization has been of an astounding character," stated E. J. Garland, U.F.A. M.P., for Bow River, on his return to Alberta last week from an extended tour of the Maritime and Central Provinces of Canada. Mr. Garland has been delivering a series of lectures upon the Western Farmers' movement under the auspices of the Associated Canadian Clubs.

Nothing to Compare with Our Movement

"There is nothing," said he, "to compare with our movement, anywhere else in Canada. Apart from some activity in the Province of Ontario in the direction of poultry and egg and more recently grain marketing, and livestock marketing which is considerably developed, there is no evidence in the East of any effective Farmer organization.

"The fishing industry is at a particularly low ebb, and a Royal Commission is now touring the Maritimes investigating the serious situation in which the industry finds itself.

"I find that Maritime agriculture is almost entirely devoted to dairying, and potato and apple growing. The apple growers have had a bad year and are in depression. Dairying is not organized and does not appear to be in an economic position, but the potato growers, particularly in Prince Edward Island, have had a record year from the point of view of production, and prices are now slipping badly.

"The disappointing feature of the trip was the unawareness of our brother agriculturists of the extreme Eastern Provinces of the healthy condition of the organized farmers of the West, and the causes of it.

Our Farmers Saved Through Effective Organization

"If I have learned any one fact of value to myself, it is that on a comparative basis what Western agriculture has gained has been gained through effective organization, without which we should have found ourselves and our industry in as depressed a state today as it is in other parts of Canada.

"I feel as a farmer that I could better afford to give up almost anything else in life than to abandon my allegiance to the organization which has by education and the creation of our own great Pools, so powerfully assisted in advancing the relative well-being of this Province. We can afford to lose anything else before we can afford to lose our organization.

"I have come back prouder of our achievement—particularly in developing a sane and progressive plan for the solution of our problems—than ever before.

Could Have Only One Result

"A visit to Eastern Canada by every farmer in this Province could have but one result—his immediate enrolment in the effective organization of this Province—the U.F.A.

"As for the fellow-Canadians whom I met at the meetings which I addressed, I may say that without exception they welcomed with amazed enthusiasm the story of the farmer's struggles in the West, and his now world-known Wheat Pool. Again and again those present at the meetings have uttered such a sentence as this, 'I feel that what you have done in the West, we should do here. Is there any way by which we can get this message over to our farm people'!"

ADSHEAD AT SHEPARD

A meeting of Shepard U.F.A. Local was held on December 1st, when H. B. Adshead, M.P., for East Calgary, was present to give an account of his stewardship. Mr. Adshead touched upon the Campbell amendment to the Grain Act, the Farm Loans bill, the re-valuation of Soldier Settlers' lands, and the Old Age Pensions Act. He also gave an account of the Consumers' League, its formation, the composition of its membership of which he is one, and of the League's activities before the Tariff Advisory Board.

Although the night was bitterly cold yet there were between forty and fifty people present, a large proportion being young folks, to whom at the close of his address Mr. Adshead made a strong appeal to take an intelligent interest in the affairs of their Canada. He pointed out that the young men and women of today would have to take up the burden of helping to make Canada what it ought to be.

After the address a dance and supper were on the program, all of which were thoroughly enjoyed.

CALGARY U.F.A. vs. KERNELS

A team from the Calgary U.F.A. Local met a Wheat Kernels team on December 8th, the U.F.A. team upholding the affirmative and the Kernels the negative in a debate on a resolution to the effect that a subsidy on Alberta coal shipped to Ontario markets would be in the best interests of the Dominion. The debate proved both interesting and instructive. J. H. Smith and L. D. Nesbitt formed the U.F.A. team and Sidney Harburn and H. Whitred represented the Kernels. The decision was won by the U.F.A. Judges were George Bennett of Mannville, Lew Hutchinson of Duhamel and A. H. Tovell of Calgary. E. R. Briggs, president of the Local, was in the chair.

H. A. Thomas, principal of the Ogden school, and a candidate of the Canadian Labor Party for the Calgary city council, addressed the Local in behalf of the Labor nominees for council and school board,

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News from Alberta Wheat Pool Head Office

Information for Members and Locals Issued by the Department of Education and Publicity of the Alberta Wheat Pool.

TWO VIEWPOINTS

The editor of the *Cardston News*, living in the heart of a wheat growing district, cannot see for the life of him why every wheat producer should not join the Wheat Pool. The editor of the *Financial Post*, living in one of the two greatest money centres of Canada, cannot see why any farmer should do any such a foolish thing as throw overboard the established Grain Trade in which millions of good money has been invested. There you have the two viewpoints!

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BIG TURNOVER SMALL EXPENSE

The Alberta Wheat Pool, in handling 45 million bushels of wheat from the 1926 crop, had a turnover of about 55 million dollars and overhead expenses of about $203,000. As a comparison, it would be interesting to know what were the overhead expenses of the grain companies who handled the balance of the Alberta crop. If the figures were known, the comparison would be an interesting one. It can be said with safety that the Pool's expenses would be a fraction of the total expenses of the companies. Farmers can rest assured that they will never be allowed to know what these companies' expenses are, although the men who till the soil have to pay the complete sum.

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WHY THE SILENCE?

The reiterated argument of the Grain Trade is that the Wheat Pool is not in any wise different from an ordinary grain firm, but here is one instance of many in which there is a vast difference: the Wheat Pool furnishes its members with an audited financial statement covering every detailed phase of its business. The Grain Trade does not. How can any comparison in prices paid by the two systems of marketing be brought to a finality when one side keeps all its information under cover? Will any of the Grain Trade state: what was the total price paid for grain during the year; the total amount of grain bought; the profits made and how disposed of? Surely if the Trade accomplishes for their customers all they claim to they will not hesitate to furnish this information. If the prices paid were as high as they say, what is the purpose served by concealing the exact figures?

The Wheat Pool publishes its figures. Why not the Trade?

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RESTORING CONFIDENCE

The Wheat Pool is a human enterprise and all its enterprises are human. This fact is understood by the well-grounded member of this co-operative organization. He realizes that the processes the Pool is endeavoring to work out are not mysterious and beyond the ken of ordinary man. He realizes that the sole objective of the Pool is to benefit its members. This knowledge begets confidence and a feeling of security. Where you have a majority of the workers of a Province confident of the future you have prosperity. That is all there is to good times—widespread satisfaction and a conviction on the part of the people that they are being fairly dealt with. The Wheat Pool system has restored a great deal of confidence and a feeling of security in the minds of a very large number of Alberta farmers. Before the Pool's advent there was prevalent a general mistrust in the grain marketing system. It was believed by the producers that this system was built up primarily for the convenience and profit of the individuals who performed the services of marketing. So the producers formed their own organization and the measure of success obtained so far has been a considerable force in stabilizing the country's affairs.

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POOL ELEVATOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The Alberta Pool Elevators showed a saving of $327,000 to Pool farmers last year, on handlings of six million bushels of wheat. This amount was returned to the Pool members of Alberta in providing for the payment on a Vancouver basis of the farmers situated in localities where the Vancouver basis was the cheapest.

The Grain Trade has been, as a general rule, taking the difference in freight rates, and the Pool operations thus saved between $600,000 and $700,000 to Alberta farmers in this respect alone.

Handling the business on a close margin, and giving every patron his full due, the Pool elevators made about 4½c a bushel. What did the other elevator companies make?

The overage of the Pool elevators amounted to three-fifths of one per cent. What were the overages at the private elevators?

The Pool has demonstrated that good profits can be made on straight elevator operation. Large overages, wide spreads and manipulation in freight rates are not required to earn a fair profit.

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Since its inception the Alberta Wheat Pool has handled about one hundred and forty million bushels of wheat and has turned over one hundred and ninety-one million dollars. This information was given by R. D. Purdy, manager of the Alberta organization, in a recent radio talk.

WHEAT POOL ECONOMY

While the vast total of the amount of business done is impressive; still that is not altogether the outstanding feature. The reasonable cost of operation is remarkable.

Last year the Pool handled a turnover of nearly fifty-five million dollars at a cost of approximately one-fifth of a million dollars! The charge against each bushel of grain was less than nine-twentieths of a cent a bushel.

It is generally known that opponents of the Wheat Pool live to circulate yarns of very large salaries paid to Pool officials. These stories are untrue. You can feel assured that your affairs are handled economically when you have the entire financial report, certified to by a chartered accountant, available for your perusal. The man who wants to undermine your loyalty to your own organization won't supply similar figures from his company for your benefit!

It has always been the contention of the opponents of the Pool idea that the farmers could not handle a big enterprise. Only the intelligentsia of the Grain Trade could manage such affairs. So it was freely prophesied that the Pool would meet an ignominious end. These would-be prophets have been sorely disappointed to date, but they are still saying, "Wait till next year." In the meantime the Pool has been operating with outstanding efficiency. It has outstripped even the "best brains" of the Grain Trade in this respect. And the beauty of it all is, as far as the farmer is concerned, the benefits of the Pool system accrue to the producer, while the Grain Trade dare not publish any figures of their operations to offer as a comparison.

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MUTUAL TRUST

It has been said that the Canadian Wheat Pool is looked upon from the cold dollars and cents viewpoint to too great an extent by its members. This possibly may be true. There are undoubtedly finer things in co-operative movements than the mere mercenary achievements, and this is beautifully expressed by Dr. Rabindranath Tagore, the famous native of India. Dr. Tagore says:

"The Co-operative Movement, which is gradually gaining ground in our economic life because it represents the highest truth of man, the truth of his unity, is the only way that can lead to the true wealth of the people, the wealth born of the great meeting of individual wills. The huge megatherium of Capitalism with its stupendous tail of bought-up workers, will naturally become extinct when individual men come to realize their own truth, not through the indecent exaggeration of their exclusive wealth but through combination of their individuality founded upon mutual trust and understanding. Barbarism is exclusive, specially guarding its cave dwellings of isolation; and the barbarians, thus mistrustful of others, constantly ready with their bows and arrows, remain stunted in mind and poor in spirit. Likewise the isolated disproportion of exclusive wealth is barbarous. It will become civilised when it evolves the true fulfilment of its moral character, its power of co-operation, when it grows sincerely ashamed of its iniquitous greed and of the unseemly scrimmage of competition through which one gains profit at the cost of another's loss and which with its external barriers of monstrous weight and dimensions only serves to disturb the natural circulation of wealth and leaves the problem of poverty unsolved."

Saskatchewan Pool Notes

The deductions from Saskatchewan growers for Commercial Reserve and Elevators totalled $9,825,129.32.

Saskatchewan Pool terminals handled 75,791,075 bushels. The Saskatchewan Pool owns 3 terminals, as well as a transfer house at Buffalo.

During the crop year 1926-27 the Saskatchewan Pool handled 119,488,976 bushels of wheat. This is 57.7 per cent of the total crop marketed in that Province.

It has been intimated that the Saskatchewan Pool will build a ten million bushel terminal at the head of the Lakes this coming year, which will be the largest terminal in the world.

The total assets of the Saskatchewan Pool now total $41,399,219.15. The country elevators are valued at approximately $7,000,000, and the terminals at approximately $6,000,000.00.

At the annual meeting of the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool the board of directors reported that up to the present 53,366 Second Series Contracts had been signed, covering 7,098,460 acres. This the directors considered to be very satisfactory.

There are 187 employees of the Saskatchewan Pool at the head office. The Saskatchewan Pool Elevator system, exclusive of superintendents and Pool elevator agents throughout the province, numbers 169.

One hundred and forty-seven elevators were acquired by the Saskatchewan Pool this year. Of this number 58 were built, 59 purchased, 19 leased and 11 are under construction. There will be a further extension of the system during the coming year.

The Saskatchewan Pool delegates at the annual meeting decided that two meetings of the delegates should be held during the year—one in November and one in June. This the delegates considered to be necessary in view of the great volume of business to be transacted.

Last year the Saskatchewan Pool operated 586 country elevators and handled 90,191,342 bushels of grain. Of this amount 73,761,297 was Pool wheat, 6,348,730 non-Pool wheat, and 10,000,000 platform grain. The net overage of this 90 million bushels handled was 370,013 bushels, being slightly less than half of one per cent of the total volume handled.

A. J. McPhail, President of the Saskatchewan Pool, in a message to the members of that Province says, "The Wheat Pool is the biggest single factor in the wheat markets of the world. Theories of three years ago have today become plain facts. We in the Pool know that the principles and practices of co-operative merchandising of wheat are effective. Outside our organization men everywhere regard it as successful and effective. Much depends on our continued success. The eyes of the agricultural world are watching our movement. A real responsibility rests on you and me to see that everything possible is done to strengthen and make more powerful our own organization. An ever-increasing percentage of the wheat of this country gathered into one bin and under one single selling control will ensure, as nothing else can, the accomplishment in full measure of the purpose for which this organization was created."

POOL DIRECTORS ORGANIZE

The re-organization meeting of the Board of Directors of the Wheat Pool was held during the week of December 5th. H. W. Wood was elected chairman, and Lew Hutchinson, acting chairman in the event of the absence of Mr. Wood on any particular occasion. The following committees were elected:

Alberta Representatives in the Central Selling Agency: H. W. Wood, C. Jensen, R. A. MacPherson. Mr. Strang was selected as deputy to act in Mr. MacPherson's place until the latter returns.

Office Committee: Ben S. Plumer and George Bennett.

Elevator Committee: Lew Hutchinson and Ben S. Plumer.

Contracts: J. Jesse Strang and George Bennett.

International: Lew Hutchinson.

A FEW RECENT SIGNERS

The following are a few of the larger signers of the Second Series of Wheat Pool Contracts within the last few weeks: H. Allergoth, Hackett, 300 acres; Herbert Hallman, Acadia Valley, 850 acres; W. L. Watt, Nanton, 300 acres; Nat Bryant, Hussar, 1380 acres; Ann Jane Clugg, Macleod, 300 acres; Wight Bros., Carstairs, 300 acres; J. D. McIntyre, Spokane, Wash., 300 acres; Howard W. Pealer, Beynon, 450 acres; T. L. Reinthon, Retlaw, 500 acres; Carl A. Browne, Tudor, 550 acres; F. A. Trowbridge, Glenwoodville, 300 acres; Jesse V. Elliott, Hussar, 800 acres; C. E. McAuliffe, Standard, 460 acres; O. Anderson, Kathryn, 760 acres; M. Weigum, Trochu, 480 acres.

WHEAT PRODUCTION

Foreign Crops and Markets: Wheat production in 38 countries is reported as being 3,392,000,000 bushels, an increase of 104,000,000 bushels or 3 per cent over 1926. This estimate includes a recent report of wheat production in Rumania, which is 96,782,000 bushels, a reduction of 1,600,000 bushels from the August estimate. Production in Palestine is estimated at 3,527,000 bushels, a decrease of 3 per cent from 1926.

The Argentine wheat acreage has been increased slightly again in the November estimate to 19,700,000 acres, compared with 19,658,000 in the October estimate, and 19,275,000 as finally reported for last year. Temperatures in the northern wheat zone average 3 degrees above normal for the week ending November 21, while rainfall was normal. Rainfall in the southern zone was slightly above normal. In Australia rainfall was unimportant during the week in Victoria and light in most of New South Wales and West Australia.

A SAVING FOR DAD

"Pa, you remember you promised to give me ten shillings if I passed my exam. this year?"

"Yes, Tommy."

"Well, Pa, you aren't going to have that expense."—*Glasgow Evening Citizen.*

Australian Wheat Pool Notes

"The Primary Producer," published at Perth, Australia, gives a wealth of information about the operation of the West Australian Wheat Pool in a recent issue. Excerpts from this are as follows:

This Pool loaded 56 full cargoes with approximately 12½ million bushels of grain at the Port of Freemantle during the year. One ship "The Wolhandel" was loaded with 77,395 sacks, which is a record.

A total of 21¼ million bushels of marketed harvest of 27 million bushels was sold co-operatively from the 1926 West Australian crop. This is 79 per cent, or the largest quantity ever handled by a co-operative organization in any state in the Commonwealth.

The price obtained by the Pool for its members was roughly $1.30, less rail freight to port. The average rail freight from sidings to port is 8¾c. This left a net price of $1.21¼. In Australia wheat is sold on a fair average quality basis and not under a grading system such as is used in Canada.

The amount of freight paid by the West Australian Pool to the Commissioner of Railways for the season amounted to $1,852,635. Considerable difficulty was experienced because of the lack of engine power and trucks, and shortage of tarpaulins for the protection of the wheat.

On the 19th of February there was sufficient wheat at country sidings to form a stack measuring 20 bags high, 60 feet through and 2¼ miles in length.

Australian wheat is sold in Britain by the London Selling Board and the Federated Co-operative Wheat Pool of Australia (Messrs. Barry, Barclay & Company and the Overseas Co-operative Limited).

Chairman Monger stated, "I think everyone with a knowledge of the grain trade, with the exception of those to whose interest it is that the Pool should not succeed, will surely concede that it was due to the strong holding of the Pool that this season's price can be looked upon as satisfactory, and that wheat values have been stabilized at a price level near to that of other commodities and labor."

The chairman estimated that the Wheat Pool gained $750,000 for its members over what they would have received from the grain trade. This is aside from the strengthening forces exerted by the Pool on the markets.

An estimate for this year's production of 111,000,000 bushels for all Australia was made. West Australia heads the list with 34,000,000 bushels. The total is 50,000,000 bushels less than last year's wheat production. Drouth has been responsible for the low crop and there will be very little wheat produced in the Eastern and Southern parts of Australia. In New South Wales the outlook is so bad that it may be necessary for that State to import wheat from West Australia.

A STRONG WILL

Mrs. Jones—Your husband, I understand, has given up smoking. That needed a strong will.

Mrs. Binks—Yes, I have one.

The Pool Idea

Cardston News: There are two things about the Wheat and Livestock Pools we cannot understand. One is, why the farmers don't support them to the last man, and the other is, why the grain trade is so set against them.

In the first case, the Pool is the first time in history when the individual farmer has ever had an opportunity to participate in the profits accruing from handling his own produce. Every other enterprise in the modern world, and the ancient world too for that matter, has seen to it that the profits from the marketing end of their particular business found their way back into the pockets of the producers of that business. The machine manufacturers see to it that the merchandising end of their business brings in the profits, and so does every manufacturer of any commodity on the market, but the wheat and livestock farmer. Just why then, that the farmers to the last man do not join 100 per cent with these Pools is a conundrum to us. To not do so shows lack of confidence in their own class, and is a reproach upon the farmers in the Pool as well as upon the farmer who refuses to join it. There can be no half-way line. Farmers as a class, have a most direct interest in the success of the Pool idea. That there can be diversity of opinion on political questions is easily seen, but in these vital economic problems, the only way out of the wilderness is for the farmers to pull together, let the world say what it pleases. Who else has the right to sell farm produce of any kind? Do not the bankers say where their money shall go? Do not the merchants say for what they will sell? Do not the manufacturers in every line dictate the selling terms of their commodities? Why do not the farmers, 100 per cent of them, join the Pools and thus gain control of the marketing of their own produce?

As to the second conundrum,—why all the fuss being made by the grain trade? One would think newspaper editors were very short on copy by the reams of paper sent out by these grain dealers, "showing up" the methods and fallacies of the Wheat Pool. Really the conundrum is not that they dislike the Pool, but that they think the public generally, editors included, can be hoodwinked into believing that the Pool system is fleecing the farmer while the righteous and efficient grain trade is standing by watching over the interests of the poor farmer who has until now been the especial prey of these same elevator companies.

This fact stands out boldly. Whatever the Pool may have done in the matter of handling and marketing grain, it is certain to have been done as efficiently and intelligently as the same work being done by private interests. The juggling of figures proves nothing, unless it is the belief of the grain trade in the gullibility of the public. Common sense also tells anyone that what profits are made by the Pool will not go into the pockets of the shareholders of the big elevator companies.

In fact, if farmers generally realized the opportunity before them which the economic co-operation by the Pool system offers, they would take this opposition of the grain dealers to the Pool as a very pertinent reason why every farmer should join the Pool.

Fife Guard: There is a movement on foot to combine all the co-operative societies in Great Britain, France, Germany, Denmark, Sweden, Switzerland, Czecho-Slovakia, Poland, Russia, Finland, Australia, and New Zealand into one great organization which would represent a combined capital of over $2,000,000,000. If the thing can be carried through it will be one of the greatest triumphs which the world ever saw for the co-operative principle.

CORRECTION

In one place in the last issue of *The U.F.A.* the cost of administration of the Alberta Wheat Pool was mentioned as 9-10's of a cent a bushel. This should have read 9-20's of a cent.

POOL MEMBERS WIN

Congratulations are extended to Herman Trelle, of Peace River, Alberta, who won first prize for hard spring wheat, and the championship in oats at the Chicago International. The Alberta Wheat Pool is proud to claim Mr. Trelle as one of its members.

PROGRESS OF FRUIT POOL

The following extracts are taken from the Annual Report of the California Fruit Growers Exchange, a great co-operative marketing association of that State.

This organization markets almost three-quarters of the California citrus crop. For the year ending October 31st, approximately $120,000,000 was reported to the growers on a total of 70,600 car-loads of oranges, lemons and grape fruit. These are the highest figures for both volume of shipment and returns in the history of the citrus industry. It is nearly $22,000,000 ahead of last year's high record, and 7,000 carloads greater. About $41,500,000 went for freight and refrigeration charges, bringing the delivered carload value of the year's crop to over $161,000,000.

During the past 20 years this organization has invested nearly $9,000,000 in advertising. Gross sales on the delivered basis during this period have been well over a billion dollars, with returns f.o.b. California of $788,346,542. Sunkist advertising cost growers less than 1c per year per customer.

The wisdom of this tremendous expenditure in advertising is demonstrated by the increase in the consumption of citrus fruit. During the past 15 years the consumption has gained five times as rapidly as the gain in population.

Tremendous gains were made in export shipments. Europe took 5,000,000 boxes of oranges and grape fruit. Hawaii, the Philippines and the Orient took 200,000 boxes.

Aside from actual marketing, exchange services include standardization, development of foreign and domestic markets, consumers' advertising, dealers' service, development of new fruit uses, and outlines, supply, traffic, legal, research, insect control, and by-products department. Because of the volume of fruit handled the total cost per box of this extended service which benefits the entire industry, is less than the charges of any competing distributing agency for marketing alone.

The total marketing cost, including advertising for exchange growers, was 2.40 per cent of the delivered value of the fruit.

Views of Pool Members

A SATISFIED POOLER

George J. Tovey, Unity, Sask., formerly of Youngstown, Alta., says: "Please note that this is my last year with the Alberta Pool as I am leaving Alberta in December. Have rented my farm. I wish to say in this connection that I have been more than satisfied with my dealings with the Pool, and if I were remaining here would most certainly have signed up before this."

SEDGEWICK FARMERS SATISFIED

Henry Baker, of Sedgewick, writes: "I am well satisfied with the operation of the Wheat Pool and will continue to grow wheat as long as it operates. I do not care to go back to the old way of uncertainty of when to sell, as well as letting the other fellow get the profit. It sure has been the means of putting farmers on their feet—both members and non-members: so I say, Long live the Wheat Pool!"

POOL GAVE BETTER PRICE

David M. Young, of Perryvale, writes: "Once again I am glad to report that co-operative marketing has given me a greater price for my wheat for the closing crop year than I would have received had I not been a Pool member and sold my wheat for cash when I hauled same to the elevator. I kept a record of the cash price every day that I was hauling and the prices ranged from 81c to 90c for No. 4 Tough, and I have received an Initial Payment of 54½c, two Interim Payments of 15c each, and a Final Payment of 6½c, making in all 91½c net. In addition to the 91½c that I have actually received there has been deducted 3½c for Elevator and Commercial Reserve, and operating expenses. The Elevator Reserve must be considered an asset which brings the price up to 93½c. However, this line of reasoning is not what I would like to point out, but unfortunately some people must see an immediate cash benefit or the Pool idea is a failure. But brothers, what would we be getting for our wheat this year and at this time of the year if it were not for the stabilizing power of the Pool and we were back under the old conditions of hauling in a large crop and at the mercy of the Grain Trade."

PREDICTED PRICE DECLINE

The following is a copy of a letter sent out by the well-known grain firm of Hulburd, Warren & Chandler, of Chicago, to its customers. This grain firm apparently has a different conception of the objectives of the Wheat Pool to that of Canadian grain firms:

"We are not in the confidence of the Canadian Pool and therefore cannot speak with authority concerning its aims or objects, nor can we speak positively of the nature of its present operations. We can judge only from hearsay and from observation, and as the Pool is more or less of a public institution, we feel at liberty to comment on what we hear and what we think we see.

"It seems reasonable to assume that the Pool is endeavoring to carry out a policy of so-called orderly marketing. It seems quite likely that it is offering wheat at widely distributed points abroad in liberal quantities, and perhaps selling as much as the various markets will absorb without disturbing prices. It also seems reasonable to assume that on sharp rallies in

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The Truth About Grain Prices

AS SEEN IN CHART NO. 1

Herewith is printed a chart of the weekly average prices paid to non-Pool farmers for street wheat in 1926-27, basis No. 1 Northern at a 27 cent Fort William freight rate point. The figures are taken from the daily price lists used by practically all the grain companies in Alberta, the lists sent out by the Western Grain Dealers Association. The prices on the Northwest Grain Dealers' Association lists, which lists are used by practically all grain companies in Saskatchewan and Manitoba, are practically identical to those shown in the chart. We have used the Western Grain Dealers' lists, as we have been unable to secure a few daily lists necessary to make our files of Northwest Grain Dealers' price lists complete.

One line shows the price paid to Pool members for street wheat, basis No. 1 Northern at a 27 cent Fort William freight rate point. Members living at points with a lower or higher freight rate received a proportionate price.

Another line shows the average price paid for non-Pool street wheat, basis No. 1 Northern at a 27 cent Fort William freight rate point. Non-Pool farmers living at points with a lower or higher freight rate received a proportionate price.

Street wheat or wheat delivered and sold in wagon load lots represents approximately fifty per cent of all the non-Pool wheat.

With this Chart before him the producer will ask himself:

When the Pool price for No. 1 Northern is much higher than the non-Pool price, and it is obvious from the tables given that the differences in the Pool and the Grain Trade price for the other grades are much greater, why does the non-Pool farmer continue to sell his grain to the Private Trade? Does he think that the Trade is anxious to carry on business at a loss to themselves for his benefit? Why does he make the Trade a present of several cents a bushel each year when being a Pool member means selling his own grain himself to the consumer? Would he like to go back to 1922?

Will non-Pool farmers continue to help private grain men to pile up vast [illegible], or will they join their neighbors and market their grain where it is in the hands of friends from beginning to end?

Will non-Pool farmers continue to accept the Grain Trade price in preference to the Pool's guarantee to return to them every cent the consumer pays for their grain, minus only the necessary marketing cost?

AS SEEN IN CHART NO. 2

On the opposite page is given a curve of the average weekly closing prices at Fort William for No. 1 Northern on the open market for the crop year of 1926-27.

One line on the chart gives the gross price received by the Central Selling Agency for wheat, basis No. 1 Northern at Fort William. This price is obtained by adding 2 1-5 cents to the net price of $1.42 paid by Central to the Provincial Pools. Two and 1-5 cents was the actual outlay by Central for interest, storage, administrative and operating expenses.

Why was the open market average price, with one minor exception, below the Pool's price from the beginning of the season until practically all farmers had delivered their wheat? From August 28, 1926 to April 22nd, 1927 country elevators received over 204 million bushels, which is over 85 per cent of the total country elevator receipts for the crop year. During this period the open market price was much less than the Pool's price, with the exception of a short time in October and November when the curve, as shown in the chart, rose slightly above the Pool price.

In addition to submitting to deductions for storage, interest and insurance from the closing prices as shown in the chart, non-Pool farmers have to pay a selling commission of one cent per bushel.

One important reason why the Pool's price is much higher than the price paid for non-Pool wheat is that the Pool sold over 52 million bushels during June, July, August and September 1927, when prices were high after non-Pool farmers had sold their 1926 crop.

As Seen in Tables of Averages

On page 13 are two tables showing the difference in the spreads between Pool prices and the prices paid by private grain companies, using the secret price lists of the Northwest Grain Dealers' Association and Western Grain Dealers Association.

With these tables before him the producer will ask himself:

Why did the Grain Trade pay two cents less for tough wheat than the Pool? Does the non-Pool farmer realize that the difference amounts to over one and one-half million dollars on the volume of non-Pool tough wheat?

Does the non-Pool farmer realize that Pool members, in paying out a total of two cents a bushel to their Pool, for which they get six per cent interest, now own or control over 940 country elevators with a total capacity of over thirty million bushels and terminal elevators with a total capacity of over twenty-five million bushels?

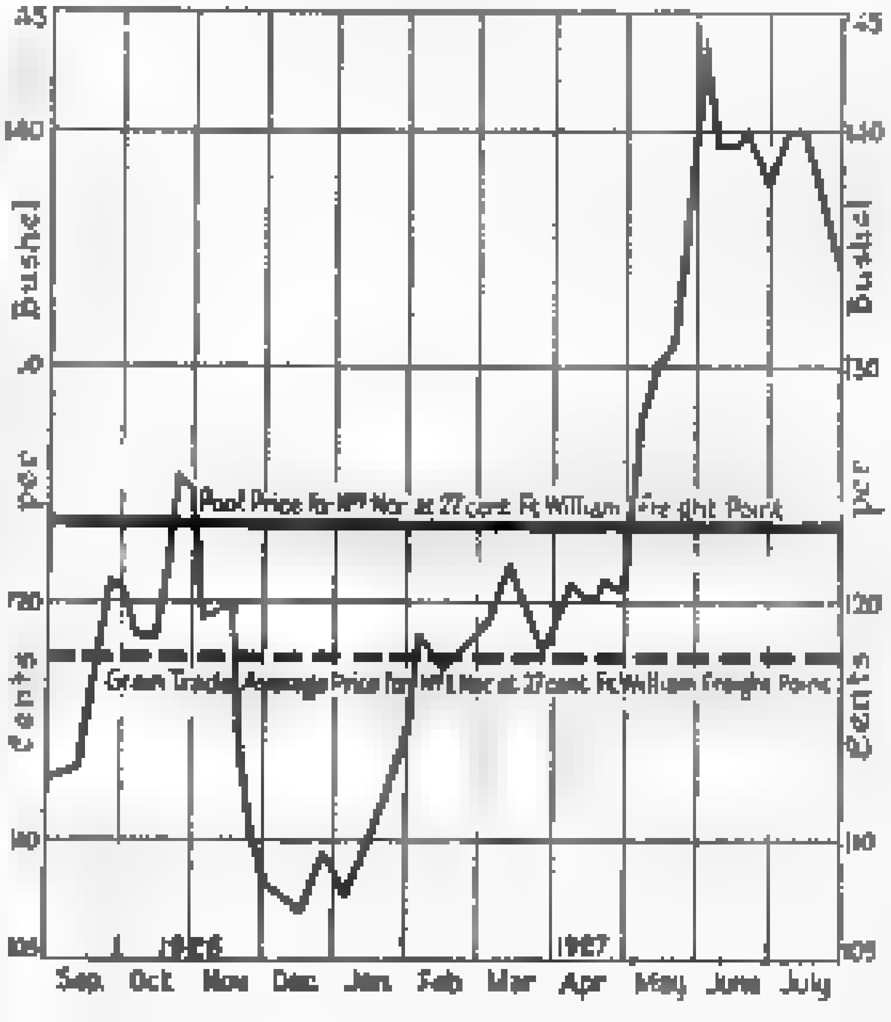
Why did the Grain Trade pay four and three-quarter cents less for damp wheat than the Pool?

Why did the Grain Trade pay seven cents less for feed wheat than the Pool?

Why did the Grain Trade pay from two to over eight cents less for other grades than the Pool?

Chart No. 1

Weekly Average Price Paid for 1926-7 Crop No. 1 Nor. Non-Pool Wheat, Compared With Pool Price, Basis No. 1 Nor. 27 cent Ft. William Freight Rate Point



Why does the Grain Trade not defend its position as shown in these tables?

Where Did the Money Go?

Comparison of Northwest Grain Dealers' and Pool Spreads

GRADE	Average Discount Under No. 1 Nor. for 1926 Crop on non-Pool Wheat taken from North-west Grain Dealers' Price List	Pool's Discount under No. 1 Nor. for 1926 Crop	Higher Price Paid for Pool Wheat
No. 4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
No. 5	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
No. 6	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Feed	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Red Durum	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
White Spring	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Kota	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Smutty	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Rejected	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Tough	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Damp	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

Comparison of Western Grain Dealers' and Pool Spreads

GRADE	Average Discount Under No. 1 Nor. for 1926 Crop on non-Pool Wheat taken from Western Grain Dealers' Price Lists	Pool's Discount under No. 1 Nor. for 1926 Crop	Higher Price Paid for Pool Wheat
No. 4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
No. 5	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
No. 6	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Feed	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Tough	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Rejected	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Smutty	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

Prices Versus Production

Interests opposed to the Pool are stating that the Pool is responsible for the drop in prices for the past three years, as the Pool payment for the 1926 crop was smaller than its payment for the crops of 1925 and 1924.

The obvious answer is:

Year	Net payments by Central Selling Agency to Pool Points	World's wheat Production (Revised Broomhall) Figures as per Figures	Canadian wheat Production (Bureau of Statistics) Census figures
1924-25	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1925-26	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1926-27	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

The Pool sells its wheat in an orderly manner over twelve months. It avoids depressing values by steadily refusing to offer more at any time than consumers are willing to take at fair prices. Realizing that wheat is a world commodity and that its price is determined in the world's markets, the Pool makes no attempt to get monopoly prices. It strives to get a fair average price in the light of all the factors which determine demand in any one year.

The world's production in 1925 was over [illegible] million bushels greater than in 1924, consequently the Pool's price was lower in 1925 than in 1924.

The world's production in 1926 was over 200 million bushels greater than in 1925, which fact, coupled with the British Coal Strike and the Chinese Civil War, is ample reason why the Pool's price was slightly lower in 1926 than in 1925.

Pool and Grain Trade Street Prices

The average price paid for non-Pool wheat has again shown a decline as compared with the past two years. Taking street wheat prices for No. 1 Northern at a 27 cent freight rate point as a basis, the prices paid by the Grain Trade and the Pool have been:

	1923-24	1924-25	1925-26	1926-27
Pool Price	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Average Grain Trade Price	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

The average Grain Trade prices given above are TRUE averages obtained by taking the volume of wheat delivered during each of 52 weeks, multiplying it by the average weekly price paid by the Grain Trade during the same week, adding the 52 values thus obtained and dividing the total value by the total deliveries.

True Averages

Below is given a simple statement in answer to the Grain Trade's false propaganda that the average price received by non-Pool farmers last year was equal to the average closing market price.

With this statement before him the Producer will ask himself:

What type of statistical evidence does the Grain Trade possess?

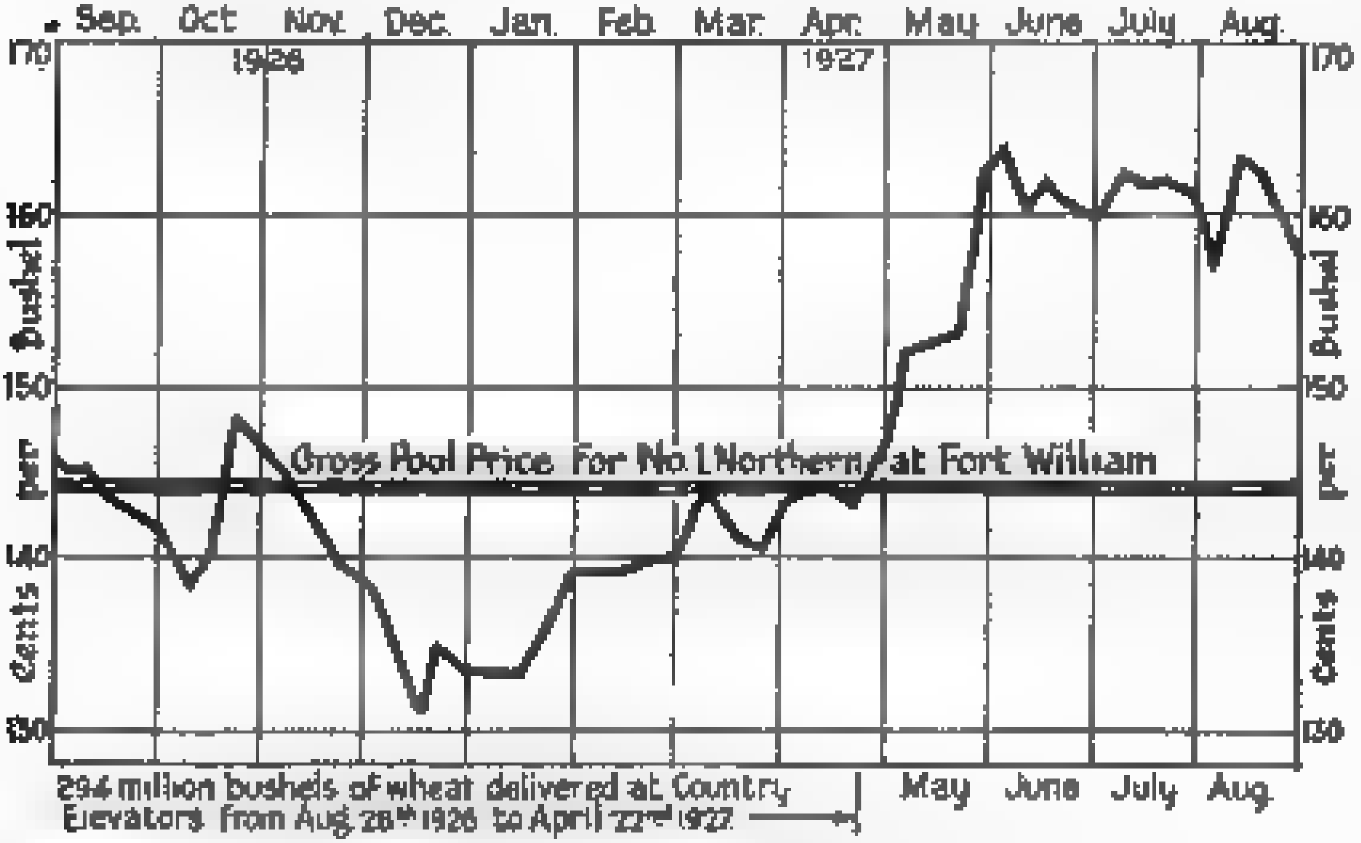
Why has the Grain Trade failed to answer a single statement made herein?

If the method of figuring employed by the Grain Trade can show that a farmer received $1.[illegible] when he actually received only $[illegible], should the same method not show other interesting results?

The Grain Trade's average of $1.[illegible] was obtained by adding together the daily closing quotations and dividing the sum by the number of days. The figure is valueless as a comparison of Pool and non-Pool prices. It completely ignores the most important factor in computing a true average, namely the volume of grain sold at the various prices throughout the year. No consideration whatsoever is

Chart No. 2

Weekly Average Closing Prices on Open Market for No. 1 Northern at Ft. William, Compared with Pool's Gross Price for No. 1 Northern at Fort William.



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given to the cost of storage, or to the insurance and interest charges which are approximately 1 cents per bushel per month. All of these charges including the administrative and operating cost of the Canadian Pool, were deducted before computing the Pool's average price of $1.[illegible] for No. 1 Northern. No further [illegible] of the one cent per bushel deducted [illegible] by the Grain Trade as a selling commission.

The [illegible] of the Grain Trade's method of computing the average price [illegible] readily demonstrated by taking a very simple illustration. Let us say a farmer sells 500 bushels of wheat over a period of three months. The first month he sells 200 bushels at $1.00 per bushel, the second month 200 bushels for $1.10 and the third month 100 bushels for $1.20 per bushel. If we use the Grain Trade's method of obtaining an average we would simply add the $1.00, the $1.10 and the $1.20 and divide the sum, which is $3.30, by three and obtain an average which is absolutely analogous to the Grain Trade's average, of $1.10 per bushel, although the actual price received by the farmer would be only $1.08 per bushel, figured as follows:

200 bu. @ $1.00	$200.00	Average price	$540.00	
200 bu. @ $1.10	220.00	paid per bushel		=$1.08
100 bu. @ $1.20	120.00	Wheat	500	
Total	$540.00			

Grain Trade and Pool Prices for Street Wheat

The only fair way to arrive at the average price received by Pool farmers for street wheat is to take the actual prices paid for grain at country points. Street wheat, that is, not delivered and sold in car lots, represents approximately 60 per cent of the grain marketed. Practically all elevator companies in the Province of Alberta [illegible] street wheat on the basis of the prices issued daily by the Northwest Grain Dealers Association [illegible] and the Western Grain Dealers Association at Calgary, the organizations of private grain traders in the Province of Alberta.

Taking the volume of wheat delivered week by week at shipping points in Alberta and the Western Grain Dealers' price quotations for the corresponding weeks, in other words, using the same method to determine the average price as used in the illustration to demonstrate the error in the average set out by the [illegible], the average price received by non-Pool farmers for street wheat in Alberta during the entire crop year basis No. 1 Northern at a 26 and 27 Fort William freight rate point, was $1.[illegible] 4-5 cents. The Pool price for No. 1 Northern street wheat on the same basis was $1.[illegible] or over five cents higher than the non-Pool price. The average price paid for non-Pool street No. 2 Northern on the same basis, was $1.[illegible]. The Pool price for No. 2 Northern on the same basis was $1.[illegible] [illegible] cents higher than the non-Pool price. The average price paid for non-Pool street No. 3 Northern on the same basis was $1.07 [illegible]. The Pool price for No. 3 Northern on the same basis was $1.[illegible] or [illegible] cents higher than the non-Pool price.

Average Prices Paid for Non-Pool Carload Wheat

Of course the only way to find out exactly what non-Pool farmers received for consigned or car-load wheat would be for the Grain Dealers to publish the actual prices paid for it. To date the Trade has not seen fit to publish these figures. Farmers would like these figures to compare them with the prices paid by the Pool. The Trade, of course, has this information, and while we cannot be sure of their reasons for withholding it, we can form our own conclusions.

We know the prices paid for non-Pool street wheat, as we have the price list of grain dealers and the weekly deliveries. Until the trade publishes the figures paid for non-Pool consigned wheat we have to be satisfied with a close estimate. We do not know when all consigned wheat is sold as some of it is sold at the country elevator, some on track and on its way to the terminal and some after it reaches the terminal. It is generally agreed, however, that most farmers have sold their consigned grain by the time it reaches the terminal. Consequently the fairest estimate of the average price paid for non-Pool consigned wheat is obtained by taking the receipts by weeks at Fort William-Port Arthur, and the average closing prices during the corresponding weeks for cash wheat at Fort William. In other words, using the same method to determine the average price as used to expose the fallacy in the Grain Trade's arguments about closing prices. Using an estimated carrying charge of 5½ cents per bushel for non-Pool wheat, the following figures give the estimated average price paid for non-Pool consigned, or carload, wheat for the past three years and the net payment made by Central to the Provincial Pools, basis No. 1 Northern at Fort William.

	1924-25	1925-26	1926-27
Price paid for non-Pool consigned wheat	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Net price paid by Central to Provincial Pool.	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

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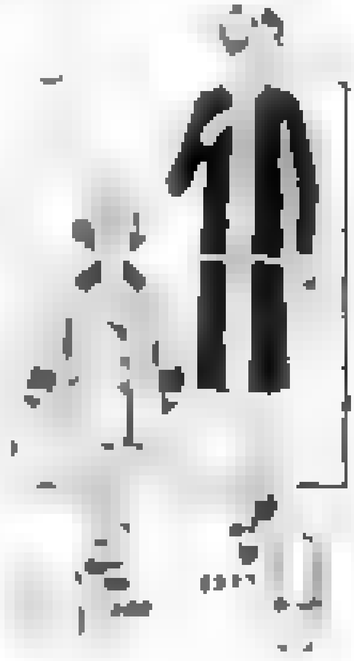

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Roll Call—Favorite Flowers and their Significance.
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Feb. 9—Community Hall.
Song.
Roll Call—Your Name and Do You Carry it Well.
Report from delegates.

Feb. 23—Community Hall.
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Roll Call—Colors Which Blonds May Wear and Brunettes can Wear.
Subject: Resolved: That No Young Man be Allowed to Marry Until he Has $2,000. Led by Mrs. Ebler and Mrs. Summons.

March 8—Community Hall.
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Roll Call—Maiden Name, Where Born and What it is Noted For.
Subject: Creed of our Organization. Talk by our President.

March 22—Community Hall.
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Roll Call—Favorite Actor or Actress.
Subject: Comedy Play by our local talent. Mrs. Oliver and her helpers.

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Roll Call—Quotations we like.
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April 19—Hostess: Mrs. H. Buckley.
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Roll Call—Current Events.
Subject: The Part of Farm Life We Dislike and How We Overcame the Dislike. Mrs. Bell.

May 3—Hostess: Mrs. Dun.
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Roll Call—Tributes of Love to our Mothers.
Subject: Suitable recitation and song to our mothers.—Mrs. Allgood and Mrs. McKay.

May 17—Hostess: Mrs. Summons.
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Roll Call—Foods we dislike.
Subject: Vitamines. Mrs. Ellis.

May 31—Hostess: Mrs. Schriber.
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Roll Call—What we love to do.
Subject: Farm. Mrs. Walker.

June 14—Hostess: Mrs. Allgood.
Song.
Roll Call—Favorite Author.
Subject: Dr. Armstrong to give an address.

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July 12—Hostess: Mrs. David McBean.
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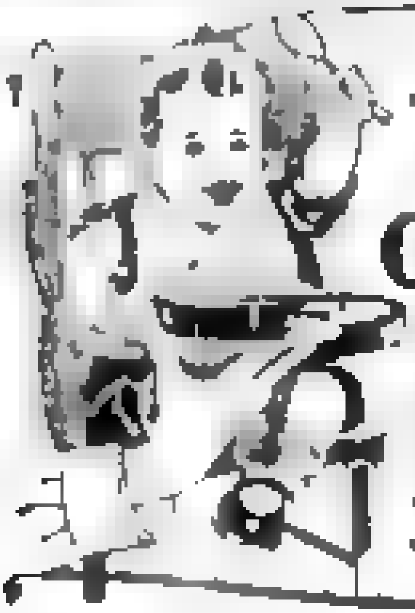

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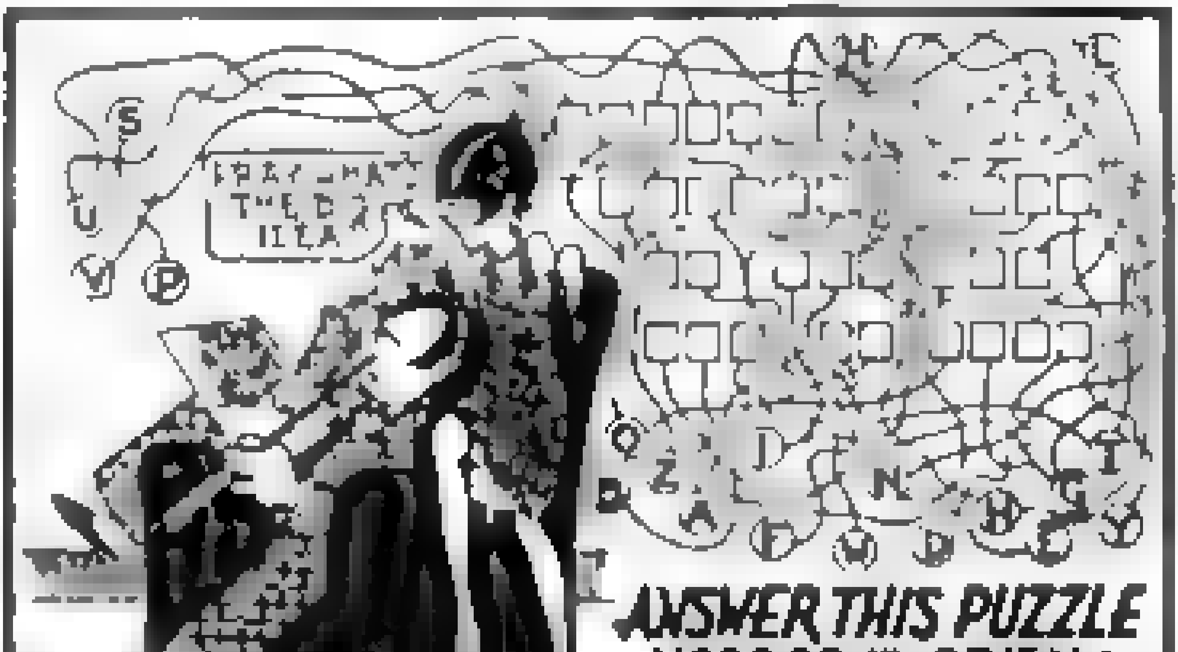

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and and [illegible] ads, there [illegible] a good reward [illegible] that them [illegible] "Dad [illegible] Billy Bump." This dance was one of the biggest social events ever planned by the Juniors of Fleet and was a huge success.

DELBURNE JUNIORS PLAN DANCE

A meeting of the Delburne Juniors was held on the evening of [illegible] [illegible] and plans were laid for the staging of a play in January. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] last year was so very successful.

BEDDINGTON NEWSPAPER

At the last meeting of the Beddington Juniors, the young people had as their guests the [illegible] Locals. A [illegible] newspaper, edited by [illegible] of the members, was read and received with [illegible]. [illegible] sports were also given by [illegible] of the three [illegible].

The [illegible] are [illegible] looking forward [illegible] in the next few months.

NEWS FROM THE DIRECTORS

Frances Fox, Director for [illegible], has made [illegible] visit [illegible] his constituency. The [illegible] district are doing fine stuff, and he has high hopes of [illegible] a new [illegible].

Some of our [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] devoting the winter to higher education.

SUCCESSFUL HALLOWE'EN PARTY

[illegible] held a [illegible] Hallowe'en Party [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] of [illegible]. A large number of [illegible] were present, as well as all the parents [illegible] and all [illegible] the program of [illegible] games. The [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] cake and candy [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] who had charge of [illegible] for the whole affair and a great success.

ROYCROFT HALLOWE'EN PARTY

Friday afternoon, [illegible] the [illegible] Juniors held [illegible] meeting. [illegible] [illegible] the schoolroom [illegible] [illegible] and the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] cakes and [illegible] lemonade was [illegible] young people. The next meeting [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] new members enrolled at the last meeting.

FAIRLY CAUGHT

Professor Black of Yale [illegible] paused [illegible] the [illegible] grey and sultry afternoon, and remarked: "It looks like rain."

A patron was seated in a [illegible] chair [illegible] "What looks like [illegible]?" he [illegible] [illegible] "What looks like rain?"

"Water," Professor Black retorted, acidly.

The Futility of War

By

Field Marshal Sir William Robertson

(Chief of the [illegible] General Staff [illegible])

War has become a wholly detestable thing [illegible]

[illegible]

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PATRIOTISM AND PREPAREDNESS

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There are [illegible]

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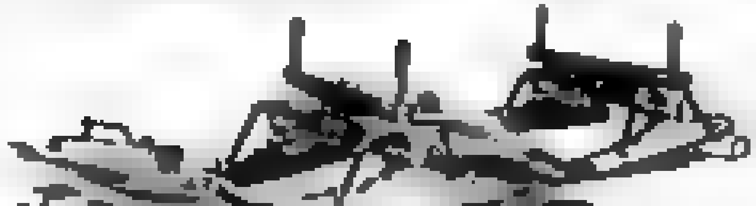

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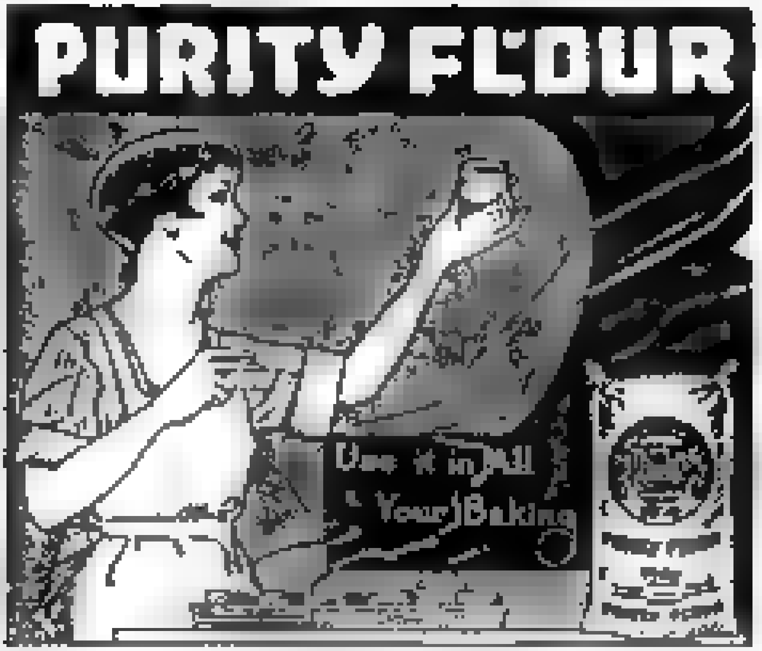

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presence of armed forces and the exaltation of the military authorities. It is fair enough for pacifists to be called upon to defend their theory, but they should not be called upon to defend their loyalty. It is rather extreme to charge those who hold that the nation's safety lies along the paths of peace with treason, while those who are unable to view their inoffensive neighbors as anything but prospective enemies should be given credit for unadulterated patriotism. The question is: Should Canada, in international affairs, rely upon her force of arms to defend her rights and protect her people; or should she rely on the righteousness of her cause in a world slowly awakening to the injustice of war and the futility of arms?

The Premier and Mr Dunning

[illegible]

There seems to be some conflict between Premier Mackenzie King and Hon. Charles Dunning.

When the Premier last toured the West he made certain gestures that would indicate that the Mackenzie King brand of Liberalism was big enough to include progressive legislation according to the words of Farmers and Labor.

Mr. Dunning, in Edmonton the other day, went out of his way to take a crack at the farmers and the [illegible] Farmer and Labor groups of [illegible] "gunning" the membership of the House of Commons.

Just what is the policy of the Mackenzie King Government, anyway? Is it possible the Premier and his Ministers are so out of touch with each other that Mr. King's policies are not known to Mr. Dunning?

Conservatives, the other day, for a joke, started the story that Mackenzie King was sick and was going to retire. Mr. King's statement that he was very much alive was the first peep they have had out of Canada's Premier for months. His personal assurance was the first indicating that he was alive and that Canada had a Premier. The King Government, if it wants to have the natural life of six years, had better get quickly into its head the idea that the people of Canada demand something more from their Government than to have the Ministers out taking pot shots at the most progressive elements in the country today.

The Mackenzie King Government wants to get into its head the fact that modern mass production turns out great quantities of goods, as is turned out today for an incredibly small amount of money, that the Canadian consumer, through lack of such simple things as a Bureau of Standards, is wasting almost in a saturated sea of American goods, often of questionable value but through high pressure salesmanship and publicity forced upon the public. A counteractant by way of a Canadian Bureau of Standards, where the buying public could get some idea of the actual value of what is being offered for sale, would increase the Canadian standard of living from 20 to 25 per cent.

The Mackenzie King Government ought to get into its head the fact that Mr. Dunning's superficial dismissal of the Peace River outlet as unworthy of that can well done violence to economic necessities. Farmer and Labor groups are thinking in terms of Bureaus of Standards, Peace River development and the economic management of Canada's crop.

Is that true of the Government? If so, the Government takes a confused method of making its mental processes known.

NEWS OF THE ORGANIZATION

(Continued from page [illegible])

and was well received by the meeting. Mr. Thomas who formerly engaged in [illegible] and [illegible] U.F.A. worker.

Resolutions for the Annual Convention will be considered at the next meeting of the Calgary Local, on December [illegible].

MAGRATH LOCALS ORGANIZE

The Magrath Locals of the U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. have held their first reorganization meetings. The new officers of the U.F.A. are: [illegible] Parker, president; Andrew Peterson, vice-president; and [illegible] George Land, George [illegible], [illegible] and James Mitton. The secretary-treasurer is yet to be appointed. The officers of the U.F.W.A. are: Mrs. Ruby Firth, president; Mrs. Jean [illegible], vice-president; and as [illegible] officers, Mrs. [illegible], Mrs. E. Peterson, Mrs. Nellie [illegible], Mrs. [illegible] and Mrs. E. [illegible]. The Magrath Locals are the [illegible] U.F.A. having [illegible] members and the U.F.W.A. [illegible] members. With the [illegible] of officers a very [illegible] is expected.

[illegible] were chosen to attend the [illegible] of the U.F.A. [illegible] Alberta.

INCREASING STORAGE CAPACITY

Plans are being made by the Vancouver Board of Harbor Commissioners for the doubling of the grain elevator storage capacity at the Port of Vancouver. The existing elevators have [illegible] 7,000,000 bushels. This is not adequate to handle the volume of grain. More than [illegible] of grain have been booked for [illegible] in the month of December and [illegible]. During November this year the movement through the port ran to a total of nearly ten million bushels as compared with five and a half million last year.

EDMONTON SPRING SHOW

The Edmonton Exhibition Association [illegible] Spring Show [illegible] will be held April [illegible] to [illegible]. [illegible] stock classes are being [illegible] competition [illegible] closing date on January [illegible]. The Federal [illegible] this Show, a [illegible] class for beef under 1,100 lbs.

H. E. SPENCER'S MEETINGS

H. E. Spencer, M.P., has been addressing a series of meetings in [illegible] since the beginning of the month. Ten meetings have already been addressed. The [illegible] of the program for the remainder of the month: Angle Lake, Dec. 16, 8 p.m.; King George, Dec. 17, 8 p.m.; [illegible], Dec. 19, 8 p.m.; Kingman, Dec. 20, 8 p.m.; [illegible], Dec. [illegible], 8 p.m.; [illegible], Dec. 23, 8 p.m.; McKamp, Dec. [illegible], 8 p.m.; Wallaston, Dec. [illegible], 8 p.m.; [illegible], Dec. 26, 8 p.m.; [illegible], Dec. 27, 8 p.m.; Ferintosh, Dec. 27, 8 p.m.; Kelsey, Dec. 28, 8 p.m.; [illegible], Dec. 29, 8 p.m.; [illegible], Dec. 29, 8 p.m.; [illegible], Dec. 29, 8 p.m.; Thorncliffe, Dec. 30, 8 p.m.

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"Arrest that man!" yelled Mussolini. "He seems to be thinking."—Vancouver Sun.

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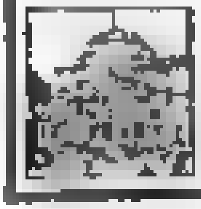

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[illegible]

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[illegible]

[illegible]

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Correspondence

[illegible]

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Respectfully,
CARL AXELSON.

409 8th Ave. E., Calgary, Alta.

SEES NEED TO EXTEND THE DEBT ADJUSTMENT ACT

Editor, *The U.F.A.*:

Harvest and threshing being completed in this district we now have more time for thought and to deal with what is going on in the community.

One of the outstanding topics of the day is the number of summonses and mortgage foreclosures. *That, I assure you, is a live topic, and the problem is one which must be solved without further delay.* When twelve to fourteen summonses are served in one issue from a hamlet or village and a number of land foreclosures on the same trip of the bailiff, it is time for our M.L.A.'s to wake up and put legislation in effect to prevent such inhuman action on the part of some of our so-called combinations and companies.

Make All Creditors Safe

I know many who have been served with summonses and have served their obligations and the costs before 30 days elapsed, and would have paid as soon had the same not been served. It was only a matter of threshing their grain, their only means of income. On the other hand the companies wanted to be first and safe. Why not make all creditors safe by applying the Debt Adjustment Act over the Province?

In the past six years business men have told me they lost thousands of dollars by not being first when a man was in debt heavily on account of the deflation forced on him through no fault of his own. Why should these men lose and others get all, and not only all, but waste what they couldn't get at the expense of other creditors?

When such conditions exist—and they certainly do—it is time for our Farmer members to start considering the matter, and giving it a great deal more attention than has been given. Then action will result, and we want action.

There have been months spent in discussion of many matters in past sessions, yet this serious matter has been badly neglected. Why not instruct our members, who are elected to serve us, what our needs are, and ask them to act accordingly?

I will deal with some of the mortgage phases at a later date, if space permits.

Yours fraternally,
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WINS FIRST PRIZE

Arthur Gosling, of Dalemead, a member of the Alberta Wheat Pool, won the first prize in the Standing Grain Competition held under the auspices of the Calgary Board of Trade. Along with Herman Trelle, grower of the champion Red Spring wheat, Mr. Gosling was a guest of honor at a recent meeting of the Board of Trade. He was presented with a silver cup donated by the Alberta Pacific Grain Company.

STAVELY U.F.W.A. OFFICERS

The Stavely U.F.W.A. Local elected officers for the new year at a recent meeting, as follows: President, Mrs. Hinckley; Secretary, Mrs. Rush; Vice-President, Mrs. Wagner.

Mrs. WILLIAM RUSH,
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The withdrawal of this lower grade fruit from the fresh fruit market is also of far-reaching importance in preventing losses and in maintaining the quality reputation of California citrus fruit.

REASSURING

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The other shook his head impatiently: "No, there are no sharks. The crocodiles have driven them all away."—*London Opinion.*

GLEICHEN CONVENTION

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